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RE: Open records request (Log 18-113 received 10/26/2018)

Dear Ms. Ram,

Your open records request was received by the Department of Corrections on October 26, 2018.
You requested the following:

"Pursuant to the Kentucky Open Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

- 1. Any informational and educational materials distributed in correctional facilities about housing options available to inmates post-release*
- 2. Any currently valid policies/procedures detailing Department reentry services specific to accessing housing options post-release*
- 3. Any statistical reports detailing admission and release trends from between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017*
- 4. Any statistical reports detailing recidivism data from between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017*
- 5. Any statistical reports regarding inmates' housing status prior to and following commitment to the Department from between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017*

Please provide materials from all state correctional facilities and on a rolling basis, as they become available.

If you have any questions, please feel free to clarify via phone at 610-637-7745.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 3 business days, as the statute requires.

Regarding items 1 and 5, please be advised that there are no documents that are maintained by the Department of Corrections central office in Frankfort, Kentucky that are responsive to your request. A public agency cannot afford a requester access to a record that it does not have or which does not exist. 99-ORD-98. Therefore, the agency discharges its duty under the Open Records Act by affirmatively so stating. 04-ORD-43; 99-ORD-150.

Regarding items 2 and 3, please visit the Kentucky Department of Corrections website, which contains policies, reentry resource materials, and statistical reports (links provided below).

<https://corrections.ky.gov/About/cpp/Pages/default.aspx>

<https://corrections.ky.gov/Reentry/Pages/default.aspx>

<https://corrections.ky.gov/About/researchandstats/Pages/default.aspx>

Additionally, regarding item 3 we do have a one page document illustrating admission trends that includes the year 2017. We are enclosing this document with this letter as a courtesy.

Regarding item 4, we do not have reports on 2017 recidivism rates at this time since it is too soon to have this data.

If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katherine Williams". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Katherine Williams
Open Records Request Coordinator
Kentucky Department of Corrections

TYPE	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Active Inmate Release	56	59	65	54	52	81
Commutation of Sentence	0	0	0	3	1	0
Conditional Release (Discharged)	5	3	3	5	4	6
Death	65	48	50	66	50	66
Discharged	3039	3167	3264	3398	4006	4418
Discharged (by MRS Completion)	26	32	13	6	3	7
Discharged (by PS Completion)	0	4	18	25	22	37
Discharged (by SOCD Completion)	89	103	94	110	85	112
Discharged (by SOPS Completion)	0	0	0	0	2	2
Discharged (per Court Order)	79	62	61	77	52	46
Escaped	96	57	87	80	87	108
Home Incarceration Began	1452	1080	957	1017	1049	1711
Mandatory Reentry Supervision	2965	2640	3077	3032	3694	3599
Pardon	0	0	0	1	0	1
Paroled	6540	9933	7789	7741	6410	7404
Paroled to Expanded Supervision	0	3	0	0	2	0
Paroled to ISP	3	1	0	4	3	0
Postincarceration Supervision	9	25	35	54	76	96
Released from Jail (not PV)	121	172	337	555	497	422
Returned to Comm. Supv.	379	438	622	755	812	860
Returned to Other State	2	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offender Conditional Discharge	256	237	220	213	206	154
Sex Offender Postincarc Supervision	4	2	31	49	73	110
Shock Probation Began	1682	1494	1271	1368	1474	1436
Shock Probation ISP Began	4	6	5	1	0	2
Transferred Out-of-State	1	1	0	0	1	0

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TYPE	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
MRS Violator (Arrested)	83	87	135	268	331	347
New Commitment	10299	8492	6948	7035	6616	7350
Out-of-State Commitment	1	0	0	0	1	0
Parole Violator (Arrested)	437	599	849	1087	1039	1148
Probation Revocation	89	1921	3446	3355	4404	4715
Recd Addl Comm - Prob/Parole Continues	121	217	223	247	245	259
Received Additional Commitment	35	52	70	50	45	47
Received from Other State	2	1	2	4	3	0
Returned by Court Order	31	40	28	28	18	15
Returned from Active Release	50	56	62	58	49	74
Returned from Escape	139	88	118	89	105	194
Returned from Home Incarceration	280	249	153	201	162	373
Returned from Postincarc Supervision	7	9	24	22	42	50
Returned from Sex Offender Cond. Discharge	155	137	131	124	119	100
Returned from Sex Offender Postincarc Supervision	1	0	9	5	28	46
Returned MRS Violator	713	840	965	1117	1408	1525
Returned Parole ISP Violator	1	2	0	1	0	0
Returned Parole to Exp.Supv. Violator	0	2	0	0	0	0
Returned Parole Violator	3762	4760	4658	4914	4760	4214
Shock Prob Rev - Addl Shock Continues	1	0	1	0	0	1
Shock Probation Revoked	873	848	748	741	813	807
Special Admission	151	119	144	142	79	179

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